

## Washinawatok gets top vote in primary election

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As a result of the primary elections held on November 10th and 11th, 2004, Karen Washinawatok, Dean for NAES College (Menominee Campus), topped the votes received by tribal voters in the race for three open seats on the Menominee Tribal Legislature. Washinawatok received 679 votes, while incumbent, Joan Delabreau, came in with 632 votes to receive the second highest vote. During the primary elections last year the top vote getter received 427 votes. This shows a higher turn out of voters this year.

Of the eleven candidates running in the primary elections for the Menominee Tribal Legislature, the top six will advance to the final elections. Legislative Candidates whose names will appear on the final election ballot competing for three open seats are Gary Besaw, Barbara ‘Bobbie’ Caldwell, Joan Delabreau, Kenneth ‘Bum Bum’

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## MIHS students help hurricane victims



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**Above-** Menominee Indian High School students use teamwork to load the truck with the supplies to be delivered to Florida by U & I Movers of Green Bay.

**Inset-** Ken Molzahn accepts the \$1500 check donated by Lois Roberts and Nance Smelcar to help the Fort Pierce Seminole Tribe.

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The Menominee Indian High School coordinated a disaster fund drive to help Florida’s Fort Pierce Seminole Indian Reservation after three major hurricanes ripped through and seriously damaged their reservation.

The idea for the disaster relief fund was developed during a geog-

raphy class taught by Ken Molzahn. During the class they tracked the hurricanes’ path using longitude and latitude. They then realized that the Fort Pierce Reservation was among Florida’s hardest hit hurricane areas. It was then an unclouded decision that the class must do something to help the native brothers from Florida.

Afterwards, Mr. Molzahn contacted Sue Beauprey as to how they

could help and she instantly began developing ideas and coordinating the effort.

On October 1, 2004 Ken Molzahn, held a presentation at a school board meeting about the Fort Pierce project. During his presentation, Ken explained to the board members the immediate

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## Menominee School Meets Testing Standards

### State Initially Miscalculated Test Results

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Menominee Indian School District

November 18, 2004 (Keshena, WI) -- The Menominee Indian School District has successfully appealed Menominee Indian Middle School’s inclusion on the list of schools that did not meet the federal ‘No Child Left Behind’ standards in 2003-04.

The State of Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction notified the school district in September that MIMS did not meet Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in several areas. But MISD officials discovered that DPI’s initial finding was based on test scores that were incorrect because of miscalculations in the

tabulation of the test results.

A recent letter from Lynette Russell, Assistant Director of DPI’s Office of School Support states...“Based on the corrected data, Menominee Indian Middle School has met all AYP objectives for the 2003-04 school year. The school is no longer in improvement status.” MISD was among seven school districts in Wisconsin that successfully appealed the DPI findings.

MISD Superintendent Wendell Waukau says it’s unfortunate that the initial findings by the state left the impression that some areas were slipping, while actual

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